

## CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION REQUEST FOR ACTION

Item No. PWC 07-19

SUBMITTED TO:

Chairman Siersema and Members of the Commission

**SUBMITTED BY:** 

Travis Hopkins, PE. Acting Director of Public Works - Engineering

DATE:

July 18, 2007

SUBJECT:

Brookhurst Street Median Landscape Enhancement, CC-1288

Statement of Issue: Plans and Specifications for the Brookhurst Street Median Landscape Enhancement, CC-1288 are in final preparation. Staff requests the Commission's recommendation of this project to the City Council.

Funding Source: Funds for this project are budgeted from Gas Tax, CDBG, and TEA grant monies. The engineer's cost estimate for this project is \$574,000.

**Recommended Action:** Recommend the Brookhurst Street Median Landscape Enhancement, CC-1288 to the City Council.

**Alternative Action(s)**: Deny approval and recommend an alternative action.

**Analysis:** In December 2004, the City's application was approved for a maximum \$370,000 in matching Federal TEA grant funds to construct landscape and hardscape improvements within the existing frontage road median islands located along the east side of Brookhurst Street, between Cutty Sark Drive and Kamuela Drive, and the north side of Yorktown Avenue, between Brookhurst Street and Mauna Lane. Attachment 1 illustrates the limits of the proposed median landscape improvements.

The project includes the removal of asphalt within the existing frontage road medians, as well as the split-rail fence and diseased Olive trees located south of Yorktown Avenue. New trees, shrubs, groundcover, and irrigation will be installed in accordance with Federal TEA grant requirements. Additionally, sidewalk and curb access ramps will be constructed to satisfy ADA requirements. A 4-ft. high block wall is being included as an alternative bid item in response to resident feedback received during a community meeting held on February 22, 2007. The landscaping design concept was reviewed and approved by the Beautification, Landscape and Tree Committee on February 27, 2007.

Caltrans authorization to advertise this project is anticipated in August 2007.

**<u>Attachments</u>**: Project Location Map

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ATTACHMENT #1

